

4. **Make a Graphic.** A graphic is an illustrated representation of one chapter. You can do this on regular printer paper, or larger art paper. It can be done individually or with a partner. A graphic has the following components:
- A picture in the middle which is a symbol for the chapter. It can be an important object mentioned in the chapter—the bus, for instance, or a pair of scissors.
 - At least three colors used to color the object. Each color has to represent something, and you must write why you chose that color. For instance, “Red stands for Percy’s anger at being expelled.”
 - On each corner of the page, pick a quote from the chapter and copy it. The quote can be any 1–2 line section that you think is significant, important, or tells something revealing about one of the characters. After each quote, explain what it means and why you picked it in a sentence.
 - Put the title of the chapter and your name at the top.

Once students learn how to do a graphic format, it can be easily used with any chapter or short story in the future. *A sample graphic is attached.*

5. **Character Collage.** This activity can either be done with computers and Internet clipart, or paper and old magazines. Ask students to make a list of characters they’ve met in the book so far. These include: Percy, Grover, Nancy Bobofit, Mrs. Dodds, Mr. Brunner, Smelly Gabe, and Sally Jackson. Have them search and cut out (or copy on a computer) photos of people that they think are close to how these characters would appear. Paste these onto a large piece of paper (or into PowerPoint or a similar computer program). Students should then label each character and find a quote about them from the book—either a description of the character or something they said. This line should be written underneath each character’s picture. This activity is good for keeping the characters straight and can be a lot of fun when students start comparing their visualizations of the different characters. Working in pairs is good for this activity.